

AGENDA

Citizens' Advisory Committee

7:00 P.M. Wednesday April 9, 2014

Mayor's Conference Room Maple Grove Government Center

- A. Call to Order by Chair
- B. Minutes: Approve Minutes from February 12, 2014
- C. Area Reports (Forms in Packet)
- D. Act on Alzheimer's and Age Friendly City Presentations
- E. Youth Sports Update
- F. Arts Center Presentation
- G. Other Business and Updates
- H. Adjournment

Minutes

Maple Grove Citizens Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2014

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by CAC Chair Bob Joiner at 7:02 p.m.

Leslie Bender

Lorraine Gresser

Bob Joiner

Members

Harry Kennedy

Steven Maas

Kevin Rebman

Don Skoglund

Joe Piket

Members Absent

John Beacham, Stephen Gill, Greg Hulne, Tim Klevar, Joan Masberg, Joe

Piket

Others Present

CAC City Staff Liaison Mike Opatz; Lorrie Link, Jules Darg; and Cyd Haynes—all representing the Maple Grove Arts Center; two students

from Maple Grove Senior High School.

Oaths of Office

Mike Opatz administered the Oath of Office for reappointed CAC members Bender, Gresser and Skoglund, with a two-year term to expire December 31, 2015.

Minutes

The minutes for the October 9, 2013 meeting were approved.

Area Reports

- What are the standards or policies related to city crews removing snow piles at the corners of intersections? (Bob Joiner)
- Has there been an increase in residential water line breaks due to the frost line being much deeper this year. Is there anything residents should be doing to help reduce the risk of a break? (Kevin Rebman)
- The general observation that our roads through town have really taken a beating this winter e.g., cracks, repetitive pock-mark holes. Do we have a plan in mind yet for restoring them? (John Beacham)
- I've noticed in multiple neighborhoods that fire hydrants are nowhere to be found buried deep in the snow. If we could get something on the City's website as well as the newspaper this week asking folks to dig them out, we'd all be safer. (John Beacham)
- I'm quite pleased to see the sports dome financials; impressive. I love when a plan comes together! (John Beacham)

Youth Sports

CAC Member Harry Kennedy provided an update that he went to a few board meetings of the local youth sports organizations. He has requested some information from them that is proving challenging to obtain.

Harry will contact Mark Saari with the City of Maple Grove Parks and Recreation Department to discuss this topic with a focus on registration fees as compared to other communities.

Discussion took place on the new basketball gym and equal time

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permitted for various teams' usage. The comment was made that it seems like too much priority is placed on traveling/high performance teams, and it appears that athletic boards are not following their mission statement to help develop all players.

CAC would like to see the revenue projections these organizations presented to CAC in the past to see where they are today. CAC could in the future request these organizations come to a CAC meeting to give a general update.

The City is involved in the various sports venues, and the way the associations are operating, including conduct of athletes and parents, is a reflection on the community. The question was asked if those involved in the associations are following codes of conduct.

Discussion took place on the regulation of the various sports associations and to possibly contact those overseeing agencies which may then get back to the associations. It is unknown if CAC will have any impact. The point was made that this is to bring awareness, not accuse. Mention was also made of exploring the City's and the School District 279's involvement in scheduling facilities.

A letter might be drafted on CAC letterhead (which would need to be created) to seek some of this information, but it was felt this would have more impact if it came from the City. But, such a letter would be have to be done in consultation with and receive approval from City Administrator Al Madsen.

Harry will continue to seek information on registration fees, fair utilization of facilities, and whether these organizations belong to larger organizations that may have some level of regulation over them. He will keep Mike Opatz in the loop on progress, and one of the first steps will be to visit with the City's Recreation Superintendent Mark Saari.

Arts Center Presentation

Maple Grove Arts Center representatives Lorrie Link and Jules Darg provided a handout related to developing a performance arts center in Maple Grove. The handout detailed their current facility, budget, programs, partnerships, vision for the future, plans for growth, outreach and events and shows.

Lorrie Link talked about the Arts Center's mission, vision, activities and talked about their current facility located on Main Street just across from the Government Center. The Arts Center officials would like to have a permanent facility that would include a theater, and that it be situated as a regional center to draw from surrounding communities. They talked about some of the impact a regional center would have, such as economic as well as visibility for the community.

Lorrie talked about some of the opportunities for a new arts center including arts, performing arts, meetings, film, speakers. She stated such a center would create diversity and cultural awareness, and it would be an

additional resource for youth/students and the impact that arts have on their development.

Lorrie stated a proposed arts center would be multi-use with theater space, gallery, social gathering area, classrooms, rehearsal space, and work space for artists, with kilns being specifically mentioned. She stated that a regional arts center provides for more opportunity for grants and awards.

The question was asked about the role the City would play. Lorrie stated that she could possibly see a financial contribution similar to what has provided in the past for the sports organizations, but felt the center should be managed by a non-profit organization as that allows for a variety of funding avenues. It was stated that board members would be members of other art organizations. She referenced issues the Burnsville Arts Center experienced with being operated by the city.

The question was brought up regarding location, and Lorrie stated the Mann Theatre would have been an ideal setup and outlined some of the ideas they had for that property. However, timing was a factor, and Whirlyball opened in that location.

The question was asked if there is a plan to approach the City Council for funding. It was stated that Councilmember Phil Leith said to hold off at this time. Lorrie stated that she was having a meeting with Opus to approach them for support. Lorrie stated there are a variety of funding options, grants and partnerships.

The question was asked if there are any facilities that currently exist as a sample. Mention was made of the Phipps Center for the Arts, as well as the Burnsville and Bloomington centers.

The presenters stated the Maple Grove facility would be different—cutting edge, economical, and in a smaller space.

The question was asked about the role the Arts Center representatives see for CAC. They would like CAC to further research this topic given that the arts in the city are underrepresented and would like to bring to the Council for same support as provided to sports associations for their facilities.

The question was brought up about revenue generation. The statement was made that the City would not be responsible for fundraising, that would be handled by whoever runs the facility.

Jules stated they do not plan on creating a facility that is grandiose, but one that is used often (both day and night) by numerous groups at reasonable costs. The current Arts Center is supported by donations, grants and volunteers.

The question was asked about what would need to be done to get a plan for a center. The statement was made that in 1998 a center would have cost around \$4 million; today is closer to \$8 million not including land. The suggestion was made to work with/do in conjunction with a possible

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convention center in Maple Grove.

Discussion took place about the current space and space needs for artists who would like to be able to do their art close to home.

CAC requested that Lorrie develop a list of example facilities for CAC to review. CAC said they are willing to discuss further and provide their thoughts to the City Council. The suggestion was made that Lorrie come back with some financials, and it was stated that land cost would be a factor.

Lorrie said it is unfortunate the arts have been cut back in schools, but the Arts Center can play a role for youth and do outreach to schools.

The Arts Center representatives were thanked for their time and presentation.

Mike Opatz noted the City Council has yet to be informed on a proposed new arts center and no official charge has come from them yet.

CAC Member Don Skoglund stated that CAC should address with the Arts Council the potential of an arts center. He will research how this initiative relates to the Maple Grove Arts Council.

The suggestion was made to have the next meeting in April and review the arts center and get input from Councilmember Leith.

Other Business and Updates

Mike Opatz reported on some development updates that were not included in the agenda packet.

- World Market is coming back to their old spot in The Shoppes at Arbor Lakes in July and that parking in that area will be reconfigured to add about 30 spaces.
- The old Gander Mountain space is being subdivided into four sections with Dress Barn being the first tenant.
- Haskell's Wine Cellar is open.

Mike stated that City Administrator Al Madsen is working with three different unnamed businesses that are looking at Maple Grove (and other cities) to develop sizable facilities that would bring a high number of new jobs. One is a biomedical company with 500 news job; one is light industrial with 120 new jobs; and one is medical technology with 300 new jobs.

City staff is working with Opus on development of 38 acres at the NE corner of Elm Creek Boulevard and Hemlock Lane. Opus will be putting together a concept plan.

Mike stated that he will email out a flyer regarding Maple Grove Hospital's "Report to the Community". The report is the result of a community health assessment study the Hospital conducted with the results to be shared with the public on February 23rd at the Maple Grove

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Community Center.

The next CAC meeting will be Wednesday, April 9.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Adjournment Respectfully submitted,

Carol Morris Minute Secretary

Act on Alzheimer's and Age Friendly City Presentations



MEMORANDUM

TO:

CAC Members

FROM:

Mike Opatz, CAC Staff Liaison

DATE:

April 9, 2014

SUBJECT:

Act on Alzheimer's and Age Friendly City Presentations

Kate Houston, Planning Director from the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging will make a presentation called Act on Alzheimer's and Goytree Hakim will introduce a topic called Age Friendly City.

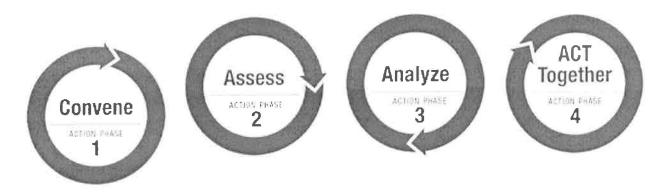
Goytree Hakim contacted City Administrator Al Madsen on these topics and felt CAC would benefit from hearing about these topics.

See attached summaries on these two matters.

Is your community prepared for the impact of Alzheimer's disease?

You, your neighbors, businesses, faith communities, organizations — everyone across your community can take action to create a supportive environment for people with dementia and their families.

The ACT on Alzheimer's® Dementia Capable Communities Toolkit gives your community a process and tools needed to become dementia capable. The toolkit offers four clear steps and processes:



- 1. **Convene** key community leaders and members to understand Alzheimer's disease and its implications for your community. Then, form an Action Team.
- 2. **Assess** current strengths and gaps in meeting the needs that result from the disease and related dementias, using a comprehensive community assessment tool.
- 3. **Analyze** your community needs and determine the issues stakeholders are motivated to act on; then set community goals.
- 4. <u>ACT Together</u> to establish implementation plans for your goals and identify ways to measure progress.

What is a dementia capable community?

A **dementia capable community** is informed, safe and respectful of individuals with the disease, their families and caregivers and provides supportive options that foster quality of life. Every community can take action to become dementia capable.

Aging in Place In Maple Grove

From AARP's Age Friendly Communities



An Age Friendly Community is a livable community for

people of all Ages

The World Health Organization has identified 33 Age Friendly cities in 22 countries

In the United States the following cities are working in making their city Age Friendly: Provo, Madison, Omaha, Boston, New York, Sioux Falls, Iowa City, Bismark, Columbia, MO, Rochester

The World Health Organization (WHO) has identified 8 areas as influencing the health and quality of life of older adults:

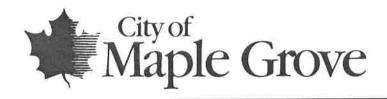
- 1. Outdoor spaces and buildings
- 2. Transportation
- 3. Housing
- 4. Social participation
- 5. Respect and social inclusion
- 6. Civic participation and employment
- 7. Communication and information
- 8. Community support and health services

Action Steps

- 1. Obtain commitment of the community's elected officials
- 2. Organize stakeholders
- 3. Conduct assessments to identify needs
- 4. Establish an advisory committee that includes older adults

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Youth Sports Update



MEMORANDUM

TO:

CAC Members

FROM:

Mike Opatz, CAC Staff Liaison

DATE:

April 9, 2014

SUBJECT:

Youth Sports

CAC member Harry Kennedy will give an update on his research regarding the topic of Youth Sports in the City as a follow-up to the discussion at the October 2014 CAC meeting.

Arts Center Update



MEMORANDUM

TO:

CAC Members

FROM:

Mike Opatz, CAC Staff Liaison

DATE:

April 9, 2014

SUBJECT:

Arts Center

See attached update from Lorrie Link on the topic of an Arts Center for the City of Maple Grove as follow-up to her presentation at the February 12, 2014 meeting. Below is a summary of the 2/12/14 meeting on this topic:

• Lorrie Link and Jules Darg reviewed the attached presentation related to developing a performance arts center in Maple Grove. Discussion centered around needs, feasibility, facility layouts, competing venues, potential partnerships, and revenue opportunities. The primary take away from the presentation was Lorrie asking CAC to further research this topic given that the arts in the city are underrepresented and significant funding has been given to support youth sports facilities. CAC requested that Lorrie develop a list of example properties for CAC to review. I noted that the City Council has yet to be informed on this topic and no official charge has come from them yet. Don Skoglund will research how this initiative relates to the Maple Grove Arts Council.

From: Lorrie Link [mailto:llink@maplegroveartscenter.org]

Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2014 12:15 PM

To: Mike Opatz

Cc: Bob; phil@theleiths.net

Subject: Re: ARTS CENTER UPDATE - CAC APRIL 9TH MEETING

Hi Mike and Bob,

I talked to Opus, but have not had our meeting yet. Dave Menke, VP at Opus, left me a message while I was in Roatan, Honduras stating that Opus is happy to help us with our space needs. He was also thinking that we wanted Opus to have naming rights, but, that's not what the purpose of the meeting. And, naming rights are minor to the research, location and building of the facility right now is the priority. We feel the property at Hemlock and Elm Creek Boulevard would be an ideal location - but with that said Opus is both the developer and builder of that property and we do not know what exactly is slated to be built there. Or, what the City would like to see built there.

I also had a conversation with Ken Streeter. He advised that we present to the City a plan for a facility and select a developer to help carry out that vision. The developer does not necessarily build the facility, but they will help with the planning. Ken said if we would like his company's help, he would help us. He has land in Maple Grove and would be willing to talk to us.

So, location is going to be very important because the Center for the Arts will be a destination for Maple Grove. Since I was gone for 2 weeks, I have not had enough time to talk to land owners in Maple Grove. I will pursue that and present an example of properties.

I also have left a message to Dick Edwards, who would know what commercial properties are available.

I have a plan for a facility that includes 2 theaters (one black box). If you would like us to bring that to you and along with what it would cost to build, we can do that.

If you have any more questions, please let me know.

Thank you!

Lorrie Link

Other Business and Updates

Area Reports

AREA REPORT Maple Grove Citizens Advisory Committee

Please use this form to express your concerns, suggestions, and positive comments on things you see taking place in Maple Grove!

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Submit your completed form to Mike Opatz at the monthly CAC meeting. Area Reports will be submitted to the appropriate City staff/department, and a response will be in a future CAC agenda packet.